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1. PCT International Search Report for CASARI et al, for International Application No. PCT/EP03/012635, filed November 12, 2003, which claims priority of I.T. Serial No. RM2002A000576, filed November 15, 2002. [**Exhibit 1**]
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6. DATABASE GENE BANK: "Homo sapiens ATPase, NA⁺, K⁺ transporting, alpha 2 (+) polypeptide (ATP1A2), mRNA, March 19, 1999, Database accession no. NM_000702, XP002283888 [Exhibit 6]

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